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In Re Patent Application Of:  
Y. Hachisu

For: BUTTON-ATTACHING DEVICE AND  
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TO UPPER DIE OF BUTTON-  
ATTACHING DEVICE

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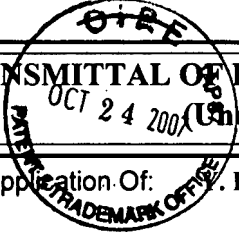
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**37 CFR 1.97(b)**

1. ☐ The Information Disclosure Statement submitted herewith is being filed within three months of the filing of a national application other than a continued prosecution application under 37 CFR 1.53(d); within three months of the date of entry of the national stage as set forth in 37 CFR 1.491 in an international application; before the mailing of a first Office Action on the merits, or before the mailing of a first Office Action after the filing of a request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114.

**37 CFR 1.97(c)**

2. ☒ The Information Disclosure Statement submitted herewith is being filed after the period specified in 37 CFR 1.97(b), provided that the Information Disclosure Statement is filed before the mailing date of a Final Action under 37 CFR 1.113, a Notice of Allowance under 37 CFR 1.311, or an Action that otherwise closes prosecution in the application, and is accompanied by one of:

☒ the statement specified in 37 CFR 1.97(e);

**OR**

☐ the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(p).

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- ☒ Each item of information contained in the accompanying Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the Information Disclosure Statement.

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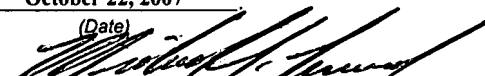
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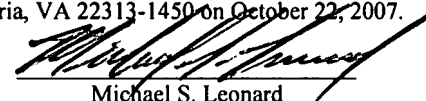
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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 37 C.F.R. 1.97, and 37 C.F.R. 1.98, Applicant requests that a citation and examination of the references cited below, and on the attached PTO-1449 form, be made during the course of examination of the above-identified application for United States patent. Pursuant to the Official Gazette Notice dated August 5, 2003, copies of the cited U.S. patents and patent applications are not included as this application was filed after June 30, 2003. However, copies of all other cited references are included with this form.

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

<u>Document No.</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Inventor</u>
5,263,627	11/23/1993	Breuer et al.

**FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS**

<u>Document No.</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Country</u>
1067363A	12/30/1992	CN

The foreign patent document listed above is not in the English language. US '627 corresponds to CN '363 both of those references relate to the same priority document DE 4117767, May 31, 1991.

Applicant does not believe any fee is due in connection with this Information Disclosure Statement. However, to the extent that any additional fees are due and owing, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Everest Intellectual Property Law Group's deposit account, number 50-3189.

Applicant looks forward to early and favorable consideration of this matter.

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